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MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTROL  
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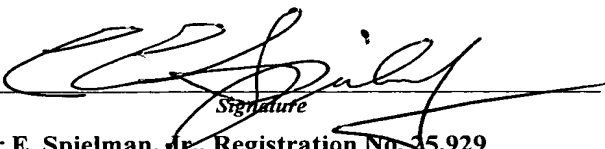
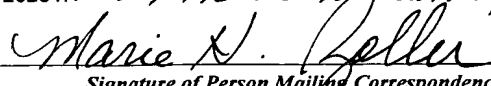
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231  
Sir:

This is in response to the Final Rejection dated May 9, 2003. To facilitate examination Applicants are hereby reducing the number of claims in the case by cancelling Claims 24-40 without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration is requested in light of the following comments.

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity) OFFICE OF PETITIONS</b>			Docket No.		
Applicant(s): <b>JONATHAN N. HOWARTH, ET AL.</b>			SU-7155-A		
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Invention: <b>MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTROL IN AQUEOUS SYSTEMS</b>					
TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	45 -	80 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>01-0659</b> A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
 Signature <b>Edgar E. Spielman, Jr., Registration No. 25,929</b>			Dated: <b>July 7, 2003</b>		
<b>ALBEMARLE CORPORATION</b> Law Department 451 Florida Street Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801-1765			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">         I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on <b>July 7, 2003</b> with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. <b>PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>            Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence  <b>Marie H. Zoller</b>          Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence       </div>		